

EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Mr. Dave Christensen on 3/16/10.

The application has been amended as follows:

In claim 1, on lines 14-18, the entire paragraph beginning with "a post-processing system configured for analyzing the volume of cardiac image data..." has been removed and replaced with:

--a post-processing system configured for analyzing the volume of cardiac image data and displaying at least one viewable image and being responsive to said operator interface system, said post-processing system is further adapted to insert at least three geometric markers for subsequent visualization, analysis and registration, each of said three geometric markers corresponding with anatomical landmarks in the volume of cardiac image data, for use in the location and navigation of an interventional tool;--

In claim 11, on lines 32-34, the paragraph "wherein said post-processing system is further adapted to display at least three geometric markers, each of the geometric markers corresponding with anatomical landmarks in the volume of cardiac image data" has been removed and replaced with:

--wherein said post-processing system is further adapted to insert at least three geometric markers for subsequent visualization, analysis and registration, each of the geometric markers corresponding with anatomical landmarks in the volume of cardiac image data, for use in the location and navigation of the interventional tool.--

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Jonathan G. Cwern whose telephone number is (571)270-1560. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday through Friday 9:30AM - 6:00PM EST.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Brian Casler can be reached on 571-272-4956. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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